



Site: DeTour Reef Light Station
Location: Drummond Island
Owner: DeTour Reef Light Preservation Society
Original Use: Water Related Transportation
Current/Future Use: Commercial/Mixed Use
Completed: 2004
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Project Description: Michigan has more lighthouses than any other state in the nation, and as the United States Coast Guard works to decommission them, it is essential that there be groups like the DeTour Reef Lighthouse Preservation Society to preserve these monuments.

Since obtaining ownership in 1998, the members and volunteers of DRLPS have worked long and hard to make their dreams a reality. By obtaining a wide variety of donations and grants, including a Michigan Lighthouse Assistance Project grant, DRLPS realized their preservation goals in 2005, and was subsequently awarded a Governor's Award for Historic Preservation.

DeTour Reef Light has guarded the entrance to the Lake Huron-Lake Superior gateway since 1931. With the help of the folks at DRLPS, the lighthouse will begin the 21st century with a new assignment – educating present and future generations about Michigan's maritime history.

Rehabilitation Investment: \$2,680,000
 Total Project Investment: \$2,680,000
 Jobs Created (Direct & Indirect): 67

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